



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition

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Reporting for the week ending November 15, 2009.

General

Last week was relatively dry with above normal temperatures throughout much of Arkansas, but rain showers moved through the state starting Sunday night. The greatest rain accumulation occurred at Clarksville and Texarkana receiving 1.70 and 1.53 inches of rain, respectively. Topsoil moisture supplies were 3 percent short, 68 percent adequate, and 29 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent short, 65 percent adequate and 34 percent surplus. On average, farmers had 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork. All 36 weather stations reported temperatures at least 4 degrees above normal last week. The weather stations at Fayetteville, Harrison, and Mountain Home reported temperatures 10 degrees above normal. Lows ranged from 30 degrees Fahrenheit at Gilbert to 44 degrees Fahrenheit at Ozark. Highs ranged from 72 degrees Fahrenheit at Warren to 79 degrees Fahrenheit at DeQueen.

Crops

Harvesting activities continued last week thanks to another week of favorable weather. Farmers also continued to plant winter wheat and prepare fields for next spring. There were reports of some fields still underwater due to river bottom flooding. Corn producers harvested 2 percent of their crop to reach 99 percent harvested by week's end. Cotton producers harvested 71 percent of the crop by week's end, 27 percent behind last year and 23 percent behind the five-year average. Rice producers harvested an additional 3 percent of the crop last week to reach 97 percent, 3 percent behind last year and the five-year average. Soybeans reaching maturity was 99 percent last week, 1 percent behind 2008 and the five-year average. Soybean farmers harvested an additional 16 percent of their crop to reach 82 percent harvested, 11 percent behind 2008 and 10 percent behind the five-year average. Winter wheat planting increased 20 percent last week to reach 52 percent, 34 percent behind last year and 28 percent behind the five-year average. Winter wheat emerged, at 26 percent, was 45 percent behind 2008 and 37 percent behind the five-year average.

Livestock

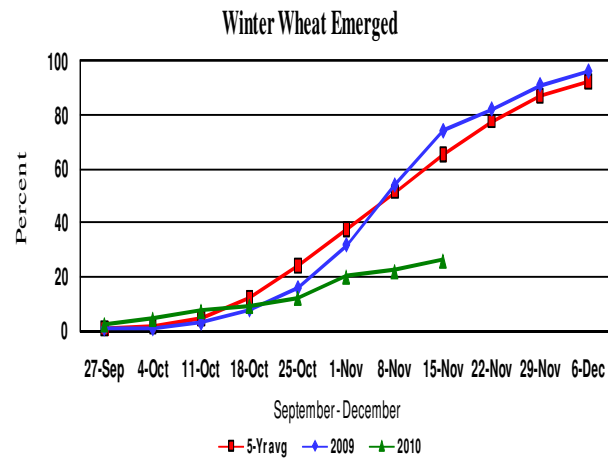
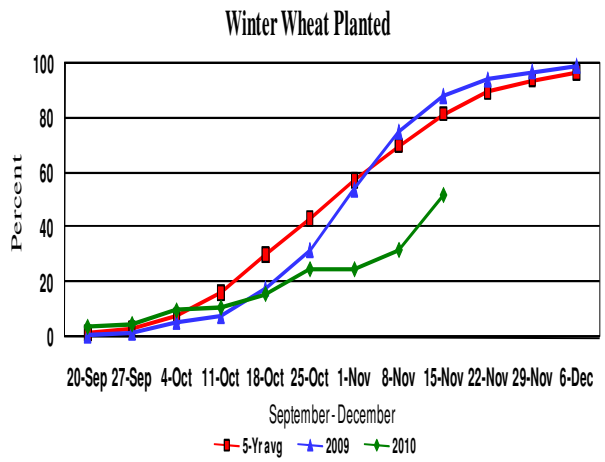
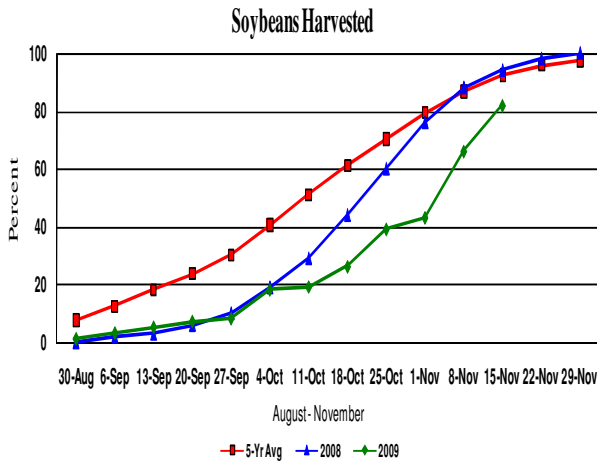
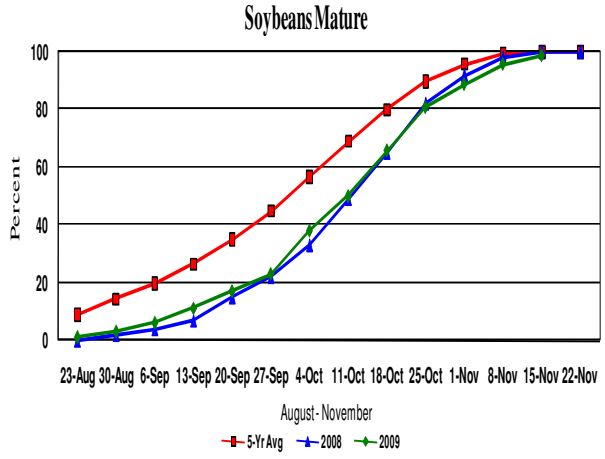
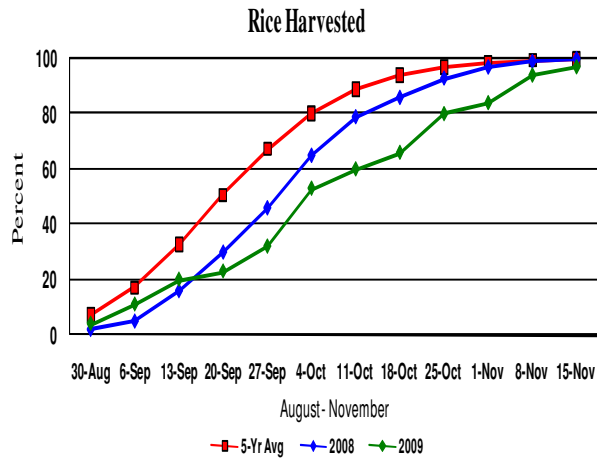
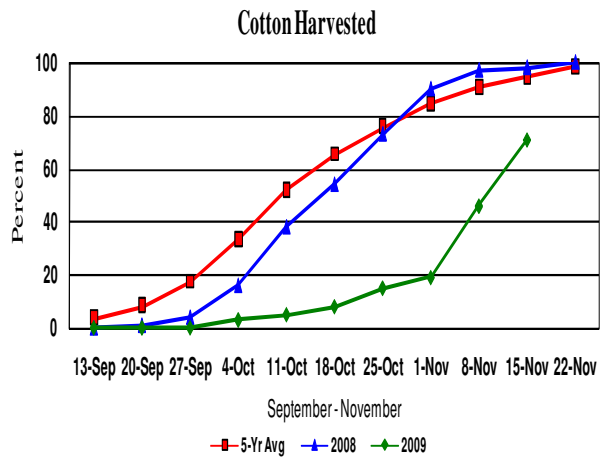
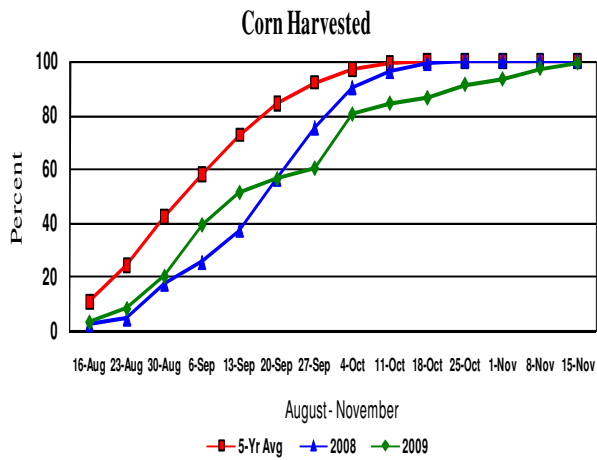
Livestock were in mostly fair to good condition last week.

Percent of Progress

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2008	5-Year Avg
Corn	Harvested	99	97	100	100
Cotton	Harvested	71	46	98	94
Rice	Harvested	97	94	100	100
Soybeans	Mature	99	96	100	100
	Harvested	82	66	93	92
Winter Wheat	Planted	52	32	86	80
	Emerged	26	22	71	63

Condition in Percentages

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	6	21	49	23	1



Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending November 15									
District	Station	Temperatures			Rainfall				
		High	Low	Dep from Normal *	Wk Ending Nov 15	4 wk	4 wk	Year to Date	
						Accum	Normal	2009	Normal
Northwest	Fayetteville	73	37	10	0.78	3.45	3.92	50.84	38.89
	Harrison	76	38	10	1.02	5.20	4.01	56.71	37.38
N. Central	Calico Rock	77	31	7	1.09	9.34	3.98	52.56	38.03
	Gilbert	76	30	6	1.30	5.36	4.08	55.12	36.76
	Greers Ferry	75	34	7	0.63	8.90	4.80	59.14	41.97
	Mtn. Home	75	38	10	1.10	6.05	3.93	58.38	37.19
Northeast	Batesville	76	33	7	0.91	8.92	4.51	59.90	39.29
	Blytheville	76	32	6	0.00	4.57	3.88	44.29	41.63
	Jonesboro	74	37	7	0.11	6.85	4.28	62.01	38.06
	Keiser	76	33	8	0.00	4.48	3.81	50.75	40.99
	Newport	73	41	6	0.31	7.54	4.37	70.41	39.90
W. Central	Booneville	76	41	7	0.90	9.34	4.16	63.31	39.46
	Clarksville	76	41	8	1.70	6.63	4.26	56.87	38.61
	Dardanelle	76	35	6	0.97	5.95	4.57	50.13	40.02
	Ft. Smith	78	43	9	1.10	4.99	4.20	53.55	36.56
	Mena	73	38	7	1.12	7.53	5.34	68.59	48.79
	Ozark	75	44	9	1.22	5.47	4.23	56.36	37.35
Central	Conway	77	35	6	0.60	8.93	4.36	69.38	39.98
	Hot Springs	76	42	7	0.46	8.08	5.48	69.17	47.62
	Little Rock	78	38	7	0.17	9.01	4.77	65.56	41.95
	Morrilton	77	35	8	0.72	9.66	4.87	64.75	39.59
	N. Little Rock	76	43	7	0.24	9.41	4.60	63.77	40.23
E. Central	Brinkley	74	38	7	0.20	7.30	3.95	58.76	40.53
	Marianna	77	37	7	0.34	7.48	4.25	58.40	43.32
	Stuttgart	77	38	5	0.41	9.15	4.21	63.96	40.07
	West Memphis	78	38	8	0.00	6.15	4.26	54.35	43.03
Southwest	DeQueen	79	39	9	0.63	3.63	5.07	51.37	45.51
	Hope	78	42	8	0.63	8.86	4.97	74.02	44.97
	Texarkana	77	41	6	1.53	6.66	4.33	65.54	38.69
S. Central	Camden	78	36	6	0.52	10.03	4.52	71.25	44.06
	El Dorado	77	37	6	0.40	7.99	4.33	60.71	45.40
	Warren	72	37	4	0.40	9.42	4.56	73.24	46.27
Southeast	Eudora	78	38	4	0.08	4.15	4.41	62.65	46.78
	Monticello	76	36	6	0.26	10.35	4.52	63.81	46.16
	Pine Bluff	77	38	6	0.43	7.58	4.36	62.89	43.19
	Rohwer	75	38	5	0.24	6.29	4.16	54.61	42.44

* Departure from normal = $\frac{(\text{high} - \text{low})}{2} - 30$ year average

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